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JOE BAILEY IS EXONERATED

Makes Bitter Speech to House.

ATTACK ON WM. R. HEARST

Says He Will Ever Remember Friends and Foes.

Announces That He Intended to Retire After Coming Term, But Now He Will Serve Twelve More Years

Austin, Texas, Feb. 27 .- By a vote of 70 to 40, out of'a possible 128 votes, eighteen members being absent, U. S. Senator Joseph W. Bailey was exonerated by the lower House of the Texas Legislature tonight of any charges of irregular acts in public life as alleged by Representative Cocke of the lower house on January 14 last.

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Action which resulted in this action was precipitated at 5:30 oclock this afternoon after three days of private consultation between House members and friends of Senator Bailey and concludes some six weeks of investigation that has occasioned Senator Bailey's constant attendance in this city.

On Monday by a vote of 15 to 11 the Senate exonerated Senator Bailey without waiting to hear the report of the investigating committee and tonight the House took like action to the extent of acting on the recommendation of a majority of the investigating committee for complete exoneration without the submission of the evidence.

The opponents of Senator Bailey pleaded to have the evidence submitted before being asked to vote, but the Bailey forces, slightly in the majority, forced a vote, and won out as outlined above.

galleries of the House had been The galleries of the House had been crowded with spectators, many ladies being present since early afternoon aswiting the dramatic event and once Senator Balley's exoneration was assured by the adoption of the majority report declaring that there was nothing in the evidence in any way reflecting upon him, the climax was reached when Senator Balley appeared and addressed the House.

Balley Delivers Philipic.

Bailey Delivers Philiple. gave every evidence of laboring r the suppressed excitement of the past few days, especially with its intense mental strain and delivered himself of a speech decidedly critical and emphatic in the matter of reviewing those who have seen fit to oppose him during the investigation.

The scene attendant upon Senator Bailey's entrance into the House to-night after his vindication by that body was most dramatic. His friends rushed in, shouting and shrieking down the center alsie and carried him to the Speaker's stand.

Bailey, while bitterly abus-

remarkable campaign ever witnessed in any State of the American Union, and be it said to your henor that you have concluded it in accordance with the will of the sovereign people.

"The conspirators have been given a wholesome lesson. Never again will Wounds In the Side—No Known

they attempt it in this genera-tion; never agin will they wear the tion; never agin will they wear the honors of Texas democracy in their life. Such men would betray a republic if Hessians were for hire. The leader of the contest was a man who has gambled with negroes and if he attempts to deny it, I will prove it on him.

Charges Against Connection

Charges Against Opponents"One of them was convicted of embezzlement and yet he is here drawing
his cloak about him saying that he
cannot keep the democratic command-

"These are hard words and I intend them to be. I wish I had words of hate with which to criticize them. See what they have done. They have lied about me. Their master is Hearst, who what they have the property of in the Texas legislature today. This Hearst campaign means that they want to eliminate men like me and John rap Williams and place men like

ever hold office in Texas again as I shall devote my time to see that they dont get in. The crowd voted today as they did upon the first ballot against

How many of these men were like Hearst, who risked his office on his conviction and he lost it. If these others had the convictions and courage of Hawkins there would not have been

a single vote against my vindication here today. They seek to destroy my usefulness. but thank God, I am too far above

them for them to hurt it.

No Reflection On Him. reflects against my personal or political integrity. And yet they still vote against me. Out of the forty men who yoted against my exoneration not more than four will be back here next session. Not one half of them will be in the democratic ranks, at that time. They will go back to the populist party where they belong.

"I will hever rest until I see the leaster laws so fixed that no man can

election laws so fixed that no man can have his name put on the ticket as a candidate for the Legislature unless records a solemn oath that he will the people's instructions. This Legislature ought not to adjourn until Section 124 is so amended that no man shall hold the people's office un-less they shall support the people's

I had intended at the end of this Senatorial term to retire for, at the end of this Senatorial term I will have served the people of Texas twenty-two years, but now this war has made me change my purpose. I will have to make no canvass at the end of this term. These men who have fought term. These men who have me have made this unnecessary. have already won my campaign for me. They have made their grave and we will proceed gently to lay them in their new-made graves and place over their tombs the inscription: 'We know hot whence they came, but we know whither they have gone.'

Mr. Patrerson moved to recede

I want to say to my friends that will never be too dark nor when you call. I will fight for you as on its disagreement to the amendment you have fought for me, knowing you in question.

are right. In my home I will place two pictures of this convention. The one will be of my friends; I shall tabel this the roll of honor, the other shall be of those who have opposed me, and over this I shall write: 'The rogues' gallery.' I shall teach my children to never forget the one nor forgive the other.

"I have letters from other States ing that if Texas was tired of ing that if Texas was tired of a I could come among them, and ney would send me to the Senate, by there is but one State I love to be ceent. and that is the imperial Stat. Texas. I have served her in the Stat. If they ever betray the party the second time, the party will be at fault. "Next election we will line up from the Governor, but beginning with the Lieutenant-Governor and on down. We will line these matters up and will teach them a lesson.

"They need it and we will attend to their case. A man who would give a

their case. A man who would give a minority of the Senate a majority of the committee ought to be attended to. the committee ought to be attended to. The men who are opposing me are men who are nothing, while those who are with me are the living, breathing, active Democracy of this State. I am going to publish a history of this campaign and some of the things in it will keep a whole lot of people from reading. Every grafter of Texas is lined up against me

"Jesus had Peter to deny Him and Judas to betray Him, and for my life I cannot see but that Peter's crime was not as nearly grave as that of Juda I would nearly as soon betray a friend as deny him in the time of need."

Sentor Bailey leaves at once for Washington where he goes to take the oath of office as Senator on March 4, having been elected to that position by a vote of the Legislature cast on January 22 and while the investigation was progressing.

tion was progressing. it was announced tonight that the finding of the committee ignored by both the Senate and House in their actions exonerating Bailey will be published in full as soon as the steno-graphers complete it.

DOUBLES HER GIFT.

Mrs. Sage Donates \$100,000 to Sag Har-

New York, Feb., 27.-Because residents of Sag Harbor, L. I., voted to add \$65,000 to her gift of \$56,000 for a new school building, Mrs. Russel Sage has decided to double her original gift, it was announced yesterday. Mrs. Sage's second gift will be used for the auditorium.

The school will be known as the Pierson High School, both as a memorial of Mrs. Sage's grandmother, who lived in Southampton, and because Isarel Pierson, one of Mrs. Sage's fam-fly, introduced the free school system into New York State. New York State.

MGORE SIGNS BILL.

Efforts Will Be Made to Close Oaklawn Track.

Little Rock, Fob. 27.—Acting Governor John I. Moore today signed the bill by Senator Amis, recently passed by the State Legislature, which probibits pool selling in the State.

Inasmuch as the bill becomes effective immediately, it will have the effect of closing the meeting that has been in progress at Oaklawn track. Hot Springs. The only other recognized tracks in the State are Essex Park, at Hot Springs, and Clinton Park, at Little Rock, the last named of which has not been used since 1904 for racing not been used since 1904 for racing

In the Side—No Known Motive For the

Birmingham, Feb. 27.—(Special.)—
With the throat cut from ear to ear and eight stabs in the right-side, all made evidently with a stiletto, the dead body of Andrie Pilato, an Italian, was found this morning near the coke oven plant at Pratt City by R. H. Whatley, car agent for the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Rallroad Company.

There were no evidences of robbery. The victim was well dressed, giving signs of being of some wealth. The belief was expressed that the killing is but a chapter of a vendetta and inasmuch as Pilato had come from Italy but two or three weeks, it is suspected that the vendetta has been on for some time and was started in the old country.

In the past two years three Italians In the past two years three Italians have been killed in Pratt City and under mysterious circumstances. The Italian colony is quite large in this district but the leaders are men of good habits, with friends and are gaining considerable foothold. At Pratt City the Italian colony is growing rapidly and has the reputation of being a peaceful set of paople.

As soon as he made the horrible discovery Mr. Whatley notified the police and the coroner in turn was informed.

I covery Mr. Whatley notified the police and the coroner in turn was informed. The police immediately began work looking for a clue, but after several hours inquiry nothing tangible was in hand. The wounds and the blood in the man's neck and body were somewhat dry and showed that death had occurred during the night, at least six hours before the discovery was made. Nothing about the man's clothing was disturbed. He had not been robbed.

DEFENDANT SHOWS HAND.

Government Must Prove Wrong Intent

in Labor Case.

Greensboro. S. C., Feb. 27—The strength of the defense in the penalty suits against the Charlotte Mill men charged with violation of the immigration laws developed today when attorneys argued an objection to the in-troduction by the government of tes-timony as to promises made by Thom-as Coestello, the immigration agent, to

alien witnesses. the alien witnesses.

Judge Boyd sustained the objection of defendant's counsel and held that as this is a penal action, the government must show a conspiracy to do a wrong. The government seeks to prove that Costello was the agent of the boyden and assuch constitute and savent and as such constitute and savent constitute an Smith and Sargent and as such con tends that his declarations would be competent as against the other defen-

The ruling is a decisive blow to the government's case. Only two or three witnesses were examined today. Counsel for the government met this after-noon to consider a new line of action.

AGAINST TRAINING STATION.

House Would Not Agree to Senate's Port Royal Amendment.
Washington, Feb. 27.—The House today adopted the conference report on the naval appropriation bill, with the single exception of the amendment rethe naval training station at

Mr. Patterson of South Carolina moved to recede and concur in the Senate amendment, but the motion was the road too lonely for me to come defeated and the House further insisted

Drs. Evans and Bingaman Testify.

STRIKES TARTAR **JEROME**

Expert on Insanity Proves Quick at Repartee.

Evelyn Took Stand For Few Minutes and District Attorney Indicated

That He Would Call Howard Nesbit.

New York, Feb. 27.—Interest in the Thaw trial today centered in the ma-nouvers of District Attorney Jerome, who seemed to give further indication of his purpose in the near future to apply to the court for a commission in lunacy to report upon the present condition of the defendant's mind.

The witness stand for the greatest part of the day was occupied by Dr. Britton D. Evans, director of the New Jersey Hospital for the Insane at Mor-ris Plains, N. J., an alienist for the defense who was up for cross examina-tion. Mr. Jerome sought to direct his efforts at getting from Dr. Evans in-formation as to the exact recognized forms of insanity from which the ex-pert declared Harry K. Thaw was suffering at the time of the "brain storm" which resulted in the killing of White. Dr. Evans had testified that in his

will he displayed evidences of melan-cholic state of mind. The district attorney dwelt for an hour or more upon the subject of melancholia and then asked the expert if it was not true that in acute melancholia there is a recurrence of the af-fliction in at least one-third of ali cases. Dr. Evans said there was. Mr. Jerome said he intended calling as a witness in rebuttal Dr. Allan Mc-

Lane Hamilton, the alienist who was first employed by the Thaw defense, but who was not heretofore figured in the trial. Dr. Hamilton recently re-turned from Europe and in a publish-ed interview just after he landed, was eported to have said that he came to he conclusion that Thaw was insane at the time of the tragedy and that he is

Insane now.

The district attorney also stated that he would call Dr. Charles F. Bingaman of Pittsburg, the Thaw family physician in rebuttal.

Dr. Bingaman on Stand.

Dr. Bingaman was on the stand for a short while today, but Mr. Delmas objected when Mr. Jerome started in to cross examine the physician as to in-sanity in the Thaw family on the ground that the witness had not qualifled as an expert. Mr. Jerome there-upon told Dr. Bingaman to hold him-self in readiness to take the stand for the state. Dr. Bingaman told today of visiting Thaw in the Tombs during visiting Thaw in the Tombs during August last when the prisoner seemed much depressed and suffered from the delusion that a conspiracy had been formed against him, complaining that that he was going to continue as United States Senator from Texas for at least three terms. He said in part:

"You have just concluded the most "You have just concluded the most BLACK HAND VICTIM"

BLACK HAND VICTIM the grating in his cell door because "they" wanted the cold air to blow in and give him pneumonia so he would die and his case never come to trial. By recalling Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw to the stand for a few questions which he had omitted in his long cross examination, Mr. Jerome early today indicated that he would callHoward Nesbit, her brother, to contradict her in a matter of credibility. He asked Mrs. Thaw if she had not told her brother that Thaw had treated her cruelly while abroad because she refused to tell lies about Stanford White and say he had drugged and mistreat-

er had not bought her a pistol with which she might defend herself against Thaw. The defendant's wife denied absolutely that there was any truth in any of these statements and said she had never owned or carried a pistol in her life.

Mr. Delmas announced today that the defense would conclude its case this week. This, however, was upon the assumption that district attorney Jerome would conclude his cross examinations of Dr. Evans and Wagner to-

Mr. Jerome did not even finish with Dr. Evans and he will be recalled tomorrow morning. John Deemar, the physician to Mrs. William Thaw's famwill follow Dr. Evans and then come Dr. Wagner. After these have testified Mrs. William Thaw her-self will take the stand, according to present plans. The defense may, therfore, conclude by Monday or Tuesday of fore, conclude by soliday of Tuesday of next week. If Mr. Jerome moves for a lunacy commission it is expected he will do so during the taking of the

rebuttal testimony next week.

During the cross-examination of Dr. Thaw began to write rapidly. and told the reporters that he was preparing a statement. His action at-tracted the attention of his lawyers, who apparently wished to dissuade the defendant from making a formal state-

ment public. wever, the following, written upon a scrap of paper, finally reached the press table: "This is the second statement Mr. Thaw has made since August 10: With chances a million to 10: With chances a million to one against her, it is wonderful that Mrs. Thaw's testimony prevailed against the District Attorney and his black-

DIG INTO HARRIMAN

CONTROLLER HILLIARD GIVES SOME ELUCIDATING TESTIMONY.

Gives Details of Financial Methods of Greatest Railroad Magnate In World in Chicago and Al-ton Deal.

New York, Feb. 27-Counsel for the government resumed their attack upon the financial methods of the Harriman group in the Chicago and Alton railroad before the interstate commerce commission late this afternoon when they called Charles Hilliard, controll-er of the road as a witness.

Under examination by Frank B. Kellogs, Hilliard testified that he became controller in October last when under the joint arrangement of the management of the property, the Rock Island took its turn. Hillalard said that his first task was to find money to carry on the improvements that were under way. There was money in the treasury for current expenses but not enough to for current expenses but not enough to carry on the improvements which included cut-off of thirty-four and one half miles of rad from a point near Murray-quile to Springfield. There was not enough money to complete the

............. GOVERNOR COMER SIGNS BILLS Governor Comer signed the following bills yesterday.

To amend an act creating a separate school district of Mid-

way.

To provide for dispensaries in Troy and Brundidge, the only places of selling liquors in Pike County.

To provide a road law for Marengo County.

To provide for a dispensary at Oxford.

To provide maintenance of sads and bridges in St. Clair ounty and provide a special tax County and provide a special tax therefor.

To establish a dispensary at

To establish a dispensary at Thomasion.

To provide for payment of court house warrants in Marion County.

To keep up roads in Monroe County.

To make the board of public works of Tuscaloosa elective.

To provide for road working in Sumter County.

To amend the road laws of Dallas County.

To provide for working roads in Tuscaloosa County.

To provide for commissioners of Coffee County holding court at Enterprise.

To further regulate sale of liquor in Fayette County.

To provide an official stenographer for Talladega County.

To provide against sale of liquors near Mt. Joy church, in Winston County.

To provide for the relief of T. T. Herbert a confederate pensioner.

To repeal an act preventing

To repeal an act preventing sale of liquors at Fitzpatrick and Thompson, Bullock Counand Thompson, Bullock County.

Te regulate the trials of misdemeanors in Morgan County.

To regulate the drawing of juries in Jefferson County.

To regulate the sale of liquors in the State; the local option bill.

To prohibit the sale of liquors in Fayette County if a majority of the voters speak for prohibition.

Te establish a probate office at Enterprise.

building of this line, said the witness "I looked into the question of raising money by mortgage," he continued "and I discovered that it had already

been mortgaged."
"I under stand that this road had been mortgaged before it was built?" asked commissioner Lane. "Yes, I was told that it was covered by the mortgage of 1900 and there was nothing that could be done except to put a second mortgage on it which would have been poor security, said

Hilliard.

Mr. Kellog then read the mortgage to show the line had been covered by it, and resuming, the witness said: "All the bonds were gone. I found from the books that the thirteen miltion dollars had never been paid from the bonds, that the ten million dollars had never been paid to Stanton for the stock; that the three million dollars had never been paid to Stanton for the road, but that the twenty-two million in bonds had been turned over to the syndcate who delivered the stock and the road through the intermediary, Mr.

"The commission wanted to know what the books showed had been ac-tually expended in connection with the handling of the property but while the witness was searching for the re-cords the session was adjourned until

the hearing of the commission will be ed as to the method of conducting the concluded about midday. Edward H. Harriman concluded his

testimony at the morning session and his examination brought forth nothing ed on the stand by Otto H. Kahn one of the leading members of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., which has financed many of the important deals of the Harriman party and a former director of the Union Pa-

There was special inquiry as to the commissions paid to the firm of Kuhn, Loeb and Co., and the interrelations of the firm, the witness defended the acts of his firm and cited instances where it has sold stocks to the Union Pacific at a figure below the current market. Before leaving the stand Mr. Kuhn made an extended defense of the Alton transaction based on the methods and conditions of the time.

FISH MAKES STATEMENT.

Declares That Harriman Also Borrowed Money from Road. New York, Feb. 27 .- Stuyvesant Fish

was asked by the Associated Press what answer, if any, he cared to make to the accusations which E. H. Harriman preferred yesterday before the Interstate Commerce Commission.

"I have little to say," he replied. "I shall not be drawn into a wrangle with that gentleman. He and I sustained close relations for many years and were jointly interested in many large affairs. preferred yesterday before

"All of those transactions, as do all transactions in which I have ever en-gaged, will bear the closest scrutiny. It was at my instance that Mr. Harriman was made a director of the Illinois Central Company and we got along quite well until he became am-bitious to make the Illinois Central a part of the Union Pacific system. I did not believe this would be in the interests of the stockholders of the Illinois Central for whom I held a trust and then and there Mr. Harriman and

I parted company.

"He is quite right in saying that I borrowed funds from the Illinois Central, but he should have added that the loan was made at a time when we were most anxious to put out some of the surplus; that I hunted from bank to bank to loan our money; that this par-ticular loan was made on collateral which was unquestionably ample and marketable; that several of the other directors borrowed from the company in the same way and finally that Mr. Harriman himself while a director, had borrowed money from the company in precisely the same manner frequently, and in sums aggregating several millions of dollars.

"As a matter of business I did not

"As a matter of business I did not then regard it as improper, nor do I now. When in the fall of 1903 I desired to repay the debt I proposed to negotiate a new loan from Kuhn. Loeb and Company. Mr. Harriman asked me not to do so and offered to lend me

me not to do so and opered to lend me the sum, and I accepted his offer made voluntarily.

"Respecting the deposits with the Trust Company of the Republic it should be said that this institution was one of the many of the New York trust companies with which we carried accepted that the sums on deposit fine. counts; that the sums on deposit fluc-tuated with the general conditions of our very large business and that there was no padding of accounts by me. The deposit was never in danger, I was trustee of the trust company, but

WEATHER FORECAST.

OLIVER ON **PRESIDENT**

Contractor Makes Pertinent Statement.

DOOMED TO STORER CLASS

Knoxville Man Has Temerity to Reflect on Executive.

One Assured Friends Southerner Only Last Thursday

Washington, D. C., Feb., 27.--The president had a conference at the White House this evening with Secretary Taft and Secretary Root regarding the working out of the details of the reorganization scheme for the Panama canal work.

anal work. It is understood that in addition to the changes in commission already re-ported, it had been decided that Col. Haines, U. S. army, retired, and Benja-min Harrod, civil engineer, both mem-bers of the present commission shall

Admiral Endicott, who is the only remaining member of the old commis-sion, will be retained on the new com-cission, as the law requires that one civil engineer of the navy shall be in-cluded in its membership.

In view of the increased cost of liv-

ing in their transfer to the Isthmus and the fact that they are to be called upon to undertake professional work of high grade for which the predecesor high grade for which the predeces-sors have been liberally recompensed, the three enginers, officers of the army, majors Gothals, Gillard and Si-bert, who yesterday were named as ert, who yesterday were named as nembers of the commission, and engineers to conduct the canal construc-tion, will be the recipients of salaries considerably in excess of those they now receive: namely, \$4,000 a year.

It is the intention to divide among hem the salaries now paid to Messrs them the salaries now paid to Messrs. Shonts and Stevens, aggregating \$60,-000 per annum, so long as they are engaged in canal work. As the president has power to fix salaries of persons employed in this work, there will be no legal obstacle to this procedure. It is stated that chief engineer Stevens resigned with the statement that he would remain in charge on the Isthmus until his successor arrived there and was thoroughly initiated inthere and was thoroughly initiated in-to new duties and prepared to take th over. Familiar as they are with

the conduct of large engineering en-terprises, it is believed that the army officers who are to relieve Mr. Stevens will soon feel able to relieve him of his responsibilities there and as they sail from New York about March 6 for the Isthmus, it is probable that the transfer can be effected early in

Make Personal Inspection It is stated that it will be necessary for these army engineers to make a Controller Hilliard will be recalled tomorrow morning and it is expected fore any determination can be reach-

work in the future.

The President's letter yesterday indicated that there might be a rence to the centract plan in the fu-ture, but even if that should be the case, the army officers in charge will.

case, the army officers in charge will, it is pointed out, find themselves able to manage the work in a supervisory capacity as they now do several of the large river and harbor projects in execution in this country.

A number of telegrams have been received at the White House today from the South asking the President to name W. J. Oliver, whose bid for the construction of the canal was rejected, as a member of the Isthmian Caral Coma member of the Isthmian Canal Co mission. Secretary Taft tonight said that he did not believe that the President was considering the appointment of Mr. Oliver as a member of the Com-

Mr. Oliver said that he would not accept a place on the Commission if it were tendered him. When he has been officially notified that the bid of the Panama Canal Construction Company has been rejected, Mr. Oliver will give out a statement for publication. "Only last Thursday," he said to-night, "the President assured my friends that I would be given the con-

tract and he went as far as to say that he would be down in Panama next November and said that he was confident that by that time he would have the work well under way." The corporation organized by Mr. Oliver and organized as the Panama

Canal Construction Company will be dissolved. Mr. Oliver says that he has spent \$40,000 in the preparation of his bids and in the organization of the construction company. John B. McDonald of New York, President of the Panama Canal Construction Company, will arrive in Washington tomorrow and will assist Mr. Oliver in the preparation of a statement including all the official correspondence between Mr. Oliver and associates and the President, Se retary of War, and Isthmian Canal Commission regarding the canal con-tract which will be given to the press.

New Orleans, Feb. 27—The Italian cruiser Fleramesca was docked today in the United States dry dock here. This is the second time in the docks' history that a foreign man of war has been entered it for cleaning.

SUBSIDY BILL

PYROTECHNIC DEBATE ON FLOOR

Democrats are Accused of Being In-fluenced By Harriman and Hill, While Republicans Launch Roosevelt Presidential

Washington, Feb. 27.-When the House, in Committee of the Whole, resumed general debate today on ship subsidy bill, Mr. Minor of consin, opened the debate in favor of the measure. Speaking of the oppo-sition to the bill on the part of labor, he said that it was only a part of the Federation of Labor under the whip and spur of the President, that opposed the measure. Speaking of the Democratic opposition, he said:

"Everything the Democrats have trucked in the past has gone to decay."

touched in the past has gone to decay.

If they should ever have the opportunity to touch any American industry in the future, it will go to decay. De-mocracy lives in the carrion pile caused by the decay of American industries." "I want to say right here," said Mr. shanghaing. The bill imposes a fin Humphries of Washington, in favoring of \$1,000 or imprisonment for a yea the bill, "that Hill and Harriman are both for the violation of the law.

now, and it is ever on the Democratic side trying to defeat these lines, be-cause Mr. Harriman wants them de-

cause Mr. Harriman wants them defeated.

"The reason is plain; it is because Mr. Harriman has said that he would not take advantage of this subsidy. He cannot do 4t, because he would have to change his crews; he would have to run on regular schedules; he would have to go to the Philippines."

Mr. Sullivan of Massachusetts interrupted, saying: "You have made a very serious charge about this side of the house. I should like to ask you to submit some particle of evidence upon which that charge is based, that Harriman's hand is felt on this side of the house. Either prove it or withdraw it."

(Aplause on the Democratic side).
Mr. Humphreys relterated what he had said about Hill and Harriman being in oposition to the measure.
Messrs. Wilson of Illinois and Robinson of Arkansas, spoke in opposition to the hill to the bill.

to the bill.

At 6 o'clock a recess was taken until 8 o'clock this evening.

At tonight's session, the galleries were crowded. Mr. Gillespie of Texas spoke in opposition to the bill. He denounced the policy outlined in the bill as false in every economic sense.

Mr. Sulzer of New York, opposing the bill, stated that the Speaker compelled a Republican member to get off the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries and substituted another

Fisheries and substituted another whose term will expire on March 4. He said that under whip and spur the bill

was reported without even a hearing.

Mr. Grosvenor of Ohio, smarting under the charge of "shrewd practice" in reporting the bill. said Mr. Sulzer's statement that one member had been taken off the committee and another substituted who was accomplished. substituted who was favorable to the measure was wholly untrue. Mr. Grosvenor said that he had a letter in Grosvenor said that he had a letter in his possession from the late Representative from New York, A. H. Glack, who was a member of the committee until sickness brought about the substitution of Mr. Littauer of New York, stating that he was sorry he could not be present to vote in favor of a favorable report on the bill.

It was Mr. Grosvenor's opinion that in the light of this statement. Mr.

the light of this statement, Mr. lzer should amend his statement. Sulzer retorted that he knew as anr. Suizer retorted that he knew as much about the position of Mr. Black as Mr. Grosvenor, and he had a right to put his own interpretation on the matter. Mr. Suizer characterized the bill as one of the worst steals perpetrated by the Republican party on the records.

years the lobby has been at work until it has become a public scandal in favor of the ship subsidy bill," said Mr. Goldfogle of New York, and he thought it was about time for the people to know that the "greedy corporations" were back of the propaganady in its favor.

The first endorsement of President Roosevelt for the Presidential nomina-tion in 1908 on the floor of the House was made tonight by Representative Gronna of North Dakota, who, while Gronna of North Dakota, who, while in opposition of the ship subsidy bill, said that he is for Roosevelt for President in 1908, and so is his State. It will send a delegation to the convention to urge his nomination. This statement elicited applicates from the Republicans.

Handall of Texas and Holliday of Indiana, opposed the bill, and McMorran of Michigan supported it.

Mr. Gaines of Tenessee, in closing the debate against the bill, became involved in a controversy with Mr.

involved in a controversy with Mr. Kahn of California, and the chair re-minded Mr. Gaines of the rule governing personalities

ROBBED POSTOFFICE BOLD BURGLAR VISITS CENTRE AND GETS \$300

At 11 p. m., the House adjourned.

Safe Was Broken to Pieces and Post-master Watts Lost \$75.—No Clue to the Criminnl. Round Mountain, Feb. 27 .- (Special.) -The postoffice at Centre, Ala., was

burglarized last night and \$300 in

government funds and stamps were ta-Tools were taken from a blacksmith shop and the burglar entered the postoffice through the transom over the front door. The safe door was broken

to pieces. Postmaster Watts lost \$75 of his own

money. There is no trace of the thief, although officers are making every effort to run him down. It is believed that the robbery was committed by a professional.

CABINET TO FALL.

Abolition of County Autonomy Causes Dissatisfaction in Japan.
Tokio, Feb. 27.—The introduction in parliament of a bill calling for the abolition of county autonomy has resulted in the Seiyunai Seiyukai, or gov-ernment party, losing many adherents and becoming practically isolated.

In fact speculation is rife as to the the Senate probability of the government lasting claims and through the crisis. The prediction is following: made by Count Katzura that the government will fall.

He declares the bill is most inopportune when unit of sentiment is necessary to the arranging of matters brought about by the Russo-Japanese

ONE KILLED, TWO HURT. Explosion of Hotler at Stubbs Mill At Claxton, Ga., Feb. 27.—By the explosion of the boller of M. J. Stubb's saw mill here today, Caesar Bank, colored, was instantly killed; another ne-

gro was fatally scalded and Stubbs seriously scalded. The negro fireman claims there was plenty of water in the boiler at the time, but the facts that the explosion oc curred shortly after the pump was started leads to the belief that the wa-

ter was too low. The boller with the engine attached was blown 150 feet and passed over the fireman's head without inujring

ELIMINATE CERTAIN GRADES.

Cotton Growers Activity Makes New New York, Feb., 27.—The New York Cotton Exchange today instructed its poard of managers to draw up a reso lution which will eliminate several grades of cotton from deliveries on con-

tract The grades proposed to be eliminated are sprict low middling stained, low middling tinged and good ordinary, white The exchange will meet again to act on the resolution.

Shanghallag Bill Passed.
Washington, Feb., 27.—The Senate today passed a House bill to prevent shanghailag. The bill imposes a fine of \$1,000 or imprisonment for a year,

WOULD NAME A REPUBLICAN

Roosevelt Makes Significant Announcement.

IMMEDIATE ACTION

Water for Democratic Aspirants for Judgeship.

The President Tells Congressman Clay-

Wants Party Man to

Get Plum.

Washington, Feb. 27.—(Special.)— The President said today he would not apoint the additional Federal Judge for Alabama until after the adjourn-

ment of Congress.
This was told to Congressman

ton, author of the measure, who went to the executive offices to introduce Judge Pelham, who would like to be

to the executive offices to introduce Judge Pelham, who would like to be the lucky man.

President Roosevelt frankly stated also that when he could agree upon ant Republican for the high and honorable position, he would appoint him. Further than that, he did not go in his conversation. A great many people seem to be of the opinion he will not discoven a Republican in Alabama who will be acceptable to the various bar associations, and for that reason, there is a prevalent opinion here ha will ultimately bestow the office upon a Democrat, just as he did when Judge Jones was appointed.

It is not believed that Mr. Hundley of Huntaville, whose name has been proposed for the judgeship will stand any show. The fact that his nomination for the district attorneyship has been held up, mitigates against him. In the Senate today General Pettus had passed a bill permitting the Alabama Power Company to erect a damfor jock No. 12 on the Coosa River. He introduced the measure in the Senate, and it now goes to the House, where it is thought it will be favorably acted upon before the close of the session.

Senator Morgan has improved so much in health that it is expected he will be able tomprow or next day to attend the session of the body of which he has been so many years a member. At no time has he been confined to his bed, but owing to the bad weather here for the past three weeks, he has remained at his residence, as a matter of precaution.

Representative Wiley, who is a mem-

remained at his residence, as a matter of precaution.

Representative Wiley, who is a member of the House Military Affairs Committee, has succeeded in having placed in the army bill a provision that raises Captain Frank McIntyre of Montgomery chief of staff to Colonel Edwards of the Insular Bureau here to the position rank, pay and allowance, of materials.

Colonel Wiley has worked very hard on this matter and says he is highly gratified that he was able to have so worthy a Montgomery man promoted. His pay has been considerably increased, and the new major's friends are greatly gratified that his service have been recognized, for it is general

ly conceeded he has rendered efficient service to the Government. Alfred J. Stofer. MORE FACTS EXPECTED.

Diplomatic Archives of France Will be Published. Paris, Feb. 27.—The facts revealed. in the correspondence seized at the pa-pal nunciature here after the expulsion of Mgr. Montagnini, Secretary of the Nunciature and published in the Messior yesterday only pertain to documents used in the prosecution of the Abbe Jouin. Further publications are expected shortly.

The diplomatic archives of the nun-The diplomatic archives of the nun-ciature previous to the rupture be-tween France the Vatican were turned over this afternoon of M. Gavarry representting the Foreign Office, to Councillor Nemes von Hidveg, of the Austro-Hungarian Embassy by whom they will be placed in the hands of the Mattre Boyri, counsel for Mgr. Montage. Mattre Boyri, counsel for Mgr. Montagnine, who will forward them to Rome

No official verifications of the decuments were made, the Austrian official saying that his government declined to assume any responsibility in the mat-ter and was simply acting as an inter-mediary for the return of the docus ments to the church.

PASS UNOBJECTIONABLE BILL.

Government Will Purchase Section of Washington City. Washington, Feb. 27 .- Proceeding under a special order for the passage of unobjectionable bills on the calendar. the Senate today passed a number of claims and other bills including the

Authorizing the purchase of a secerection of government buildings and appropriating \$10,000 for that purpose; authorizing the payment of overtime to certain letter carriers aggregating \$282,943; to complete a monument at Chalmette, La., to American soldiers who fell in the battle of New Orleans; authorizing the sale of timber lands of the Jicarilla tribe of Indians in New regulating court jurisdiction

in Oklahoma. FIELDS ARE INUNDATED.

Break in Levee Causing Great Finan-cial Loss.

New Orleans, La., Feb., 27.—Reports today from Oakville, and Ollie, villages near the scene of the break in the levee below here say the water is sprad-

ing rapidly.

At Ollie the back water has reached the railroad tracks and the low lands are inundated for a distance of four miles. A large force of men are still at work

trying to prevent the crevasse from becoming wider.

BUTCHERED BY BANDITS. Six Rurales Killed and Entire Country Side is Terrorized.
San Antonio, Feb. 26.—A special to
The Express from Mazatlin, Mexico,

Six rurales, as they lay asleep in the shelter of rocks in the vicinity in Te-ple were butchered by the notorious bandit, Enrique Chavez, and his band. Ranchmen and farmers on the Teplo district are in a condition bordering on panic, as it is rumored that Chavez has gathered around him other men as gathered around him other men as bloody and cruel as hmself. Many efforts have in the past few months been made to capture Chavez, but his luck nerve and knowledge of the country have always saved him,